REMARKS

By this Amendment, Applicant adds new claims 22-24. Accordingly, claims 1, 3-11, 13-15, and 17-24 are currently pending, of which claims 4-7 are currently withdrawn.

Reexamination and reconsideration of the pending claims is respectfully requested.

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